duct a comprehensive inquiry of the working of all Goenka trusts and companies together;

(b) if so, the reasons for which such an inquiry was not conducted in view of the inspection report of the Deputy Director of Company Law Board submitted in March, 1986;

(c) whether Government propose to conduct an inquiry; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The necessary information is being collected and full details will be given at the earliest possible.

Filling of declaration by Nariman Point Building services and trading private limited

1496. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Nariman Point Building Services and Trading Private Limited and a partnership firm known as Traders and Services did not file the requisite declaration with the company in the prescribed form as required under section 187(c)(1) and (2) of the Companies Act during the year 1985; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) As per report of inspection conducted in 1985 into the books of accounts of M/s. Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Pvt. Ltd., to which the question apparently relates, M/s. Nariman Point Buildings Services and Trading Pvt. Ltd. held as a partner of M/s. Trades and Services 30,690 equity shares in the said company, but neither the said company nor the said firm filed the requisite declarations under section 187(c)(1).

The matter is under examination of the Government.

Indian Express Newspapers

1497. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact tha Directors of Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Private Limited in their Annual Report have stated that their company became the subsidiary of NPBST w.e.f. 2nd May, 1985;

(b) if so, whether their declaration is true and if not, whether the Directors of Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Private Limited are guilty of making false statement which may call for action under section 628 of the Companies Act, 1956; and

(c) what are the details of the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matters is under examination.

Misuse of funds of sister subsidiary companies by Shri R. N. Goenka

1498. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Shri R. N. Goenka by establishing various companies as sister and subsidiary companies was utilising the money of his holding company engaged in newspaper business for speculation in shares;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to check such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) An inspection under section 209A of Companies Act, 1956 was carried out in respect of Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Private Limited. Inspection of other related companies was also subsequently ordered. Government will be able to take a view regarding the matter in question only after these inspections have been completed.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above question does not arise.

Oil wells operated by ONGC in Gujarat

1499. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of oil wells operated by Oil and Natural Gas Commission in Gujarat;

(b) the quantum of crude oil produced by each of them during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the quantum of natural gas produced by each of them during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) There are 834 wells operated by ONGC in Gujarat as on 31-1-1987.

(b) The quantum of crude oil produced during the last three years is given below:—

(in million tonnes)

1983-84	3·59
1984-85	3·91
1985-86	4·32
1986-87 (Upto 31-1-87)	3·77

(c) The quantum of natural gas produced during the last three years was as follows:—

	(In MMm3)
1983-84	748
1984-85	775
1985-86	919
1986-87 (Upto 31-1-87)	782

Indian Express Newspapers, Bombay

1500. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Pvt. Ltd. did not have a Company Secretary from December, 1984 as required under Section 383A of the Companies Act; and

(b) if so, what appropriate action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since the company has appointed a qualified Secretary on 3-2-1986, no further action is considered necessary in the matter.

Paid-up Capital of Indian Express Private Limited

1501. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state: